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1. ADDRESS: CASILLA 291, AVENIDA 20 DE OCTUBRE 1963, LA PAZ, BOLIVIA. CABLE: EMUSA, LA PAZ. TELEX: ITT 3560064. PHONE: 22407. OFFICER: MARIO MERCADO V.G., PRESIDENT.

2. LARGE FIRM ESTABLISHED IN 1946 AND EMPLOYS 850, IS PRIMARILY ENGAGED IN MINING AND EXPORTING TIN AND ANTIMONY ORES. EXPORTS TO USA, JAPAN, AND SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. FIRM BUYS MINING EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY, AND MATERIALS FROM USA, ENGLAND, SOUTH AFRICA, INDIA, ARGENTINA AND JAPAN. CORRESPONDS IN SPANISH AND ENGLISH.

3. FINANCIAL REFERENCES: BANCO DEL ESTADO, BANK OF AMERICA, FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK, BANCO BOLIVIANO AMERICANO, ALL OF LA PAZ. TRADE REFERENCES: PHILLIP BROTHERS, SOMCO LTDA., BOTH OF LA PAZ

4. MAJOR FOREIGN FIRMS REPRESENTED: N/A

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5. SUBJECT FIRM IS BOLIVIA'S MAIN PRODUCER OF ANTIMONY ORES AND ACCORDING TO A BRANCH OFFICE OF AN AMERICAN BANK, THEY ARE THE WORLD'S SECOND LARGEST PRODUCER OF ANTIMONY. THEY ARE ONE OF 28 MEMBERS OF THE MEDIUM MINERS ASSOCIATION, AND PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT. OWNERS ARE CONSIDERED AMONG WEALTHIEST PEOPLE IN BOLIVIA AND ARE VERY WELL REGARDED AMONG THE FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS COMMUNITY FIRM IS CONSIDERED AS ONE OF BOLIVIA'S MOST PROGRESSIVE COMPANIES. THREE LA PAZ BANKS STATE FIRM HAS VERY GOOD FINANCIAL REPUTATION AND MEETS OBLIGATIONS SATISFACTORILY. FIRM ITSELF REPORTS PAID-IN CAPITAL EQUIVALENT TO \$US 1,152,000 AND 1973 SALES EQUIVALENT TO \$US 4,326,000 FIRM IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED AS A GOOD TRADE CONTACT.

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